KUZURE.
...
I'LL LEAVE YOUR BREAKFAST HERE.
I GOTTA GO TO SCHOOL SO...
...MAKE SURE TO EAT ALRIGHT?
I'M OFF.

What can I even say to her?
...Damn it.
Would Koware still have been sealed if I hadn't stopped her?
I stopped her...
...
I had no choice but to stop her.
No, then even Kuzure would have...
Am I gonna do...
What...

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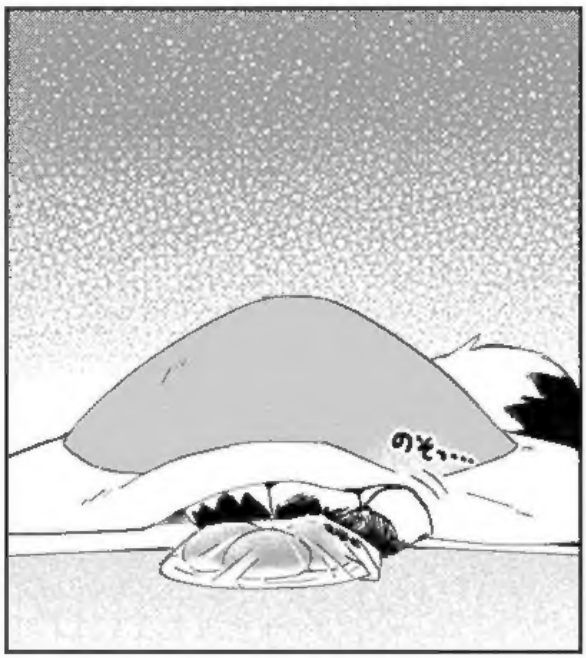
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Even feeling like this I still get hungry...
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I'm sure I could have saved koware.
Back then Naohito stopped Kuzure.
Then Kuzure would have been resealed too...
...But,
What should, Kuzure have done!?
ARA ARA~

MITSUNE.
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU TO BE SO DEPRESSED!
...WHAT D'YOU WANT?

HE ASKED ME TO COME CHECK ON YOU.
I HEARD THE GIST OF WHAT HAPPENED FROM NAOHITO-SAN,

OTSUNE-CHAN.
BUT IT'S SO RARE TO SEE KUZURE-SAN LIKE THIS!
WHY ARE YOU ENTERING FROM THE WINDOW?

WASTING AWAY UNDER THE COVERS LIKE THIS.
IT'S NOT HEALTHY YOU KNOW?
...
NOW NOW, DON'T SAY THAT!
DID YOU JUST COME TO LAUGH AT KUZURE? AS UNPLEASENT A PERSON AS ALWAYS.
EVEN KUZURE HAS THESE FEELINGS SOMETIMES!
OH?
YOU'RE MAKING FUN OF KUZURE!
Ah! You're out! You're out!
That's a step in the right direction!
YOU'RE JUST FRETTING AND WORRYING AND LETTING YOUR HEAD GO ROUND IN CIRCLES.
UGH...
JUST GIVE UP KUZURE...
YOU'RE NO MATCH FOR HER VERBAL ASSAULTS NOJA.

BUT SHE DOES HAVE A POINT NOJA.
IF JUST THINKING ABOUT IT ISN'T ENOUGH,
COMPLAINING MIGHT JUST MAKE YOU FEEL BETTER.
I SEE,
IT WAS SO SUDDEN NOJA...
MH~...
OKAY...
KUZURE DIDN'T EVEN WANT TO LIVE WITH KOWARE AT FIRST...
BUT NOW THAT SHE'S NOT HERE...
IT'S KINDA LONELY.

うーむ…
I DON'T THINK IT WAS NECCESSARY TO GO THAT FAR EITHER...
HOWEVER, EVEN ONE WRONG MOVE COULD HAVE CAUSED A CATASTROPHE THOUGH...
WE REALLY MET IN THE WORST WAY...
BUT...
WAS KOWARE REALLY BAD ENOUGH TO BE RESEALED...?
BUT NAOHITO FORGAVE HER FOR IT!
SO IT SHOULD BE FINE!
MH~MM, THAT'S TRUE...
!?
MITS-UNE...
THINK ABOUT IT,
IT'S LIKE LEAVING A BOMB THAT COULD EXPLODE AT ANY MOMENT RIGHT NEXT TO YOU.
I THINK RESEALING HER MADE SENSE THOUGH?
IF ANYTHING I'D SAY THAT KOWARE-SAN DESERVED IT,
KUZURE-SAN IS A SPECIAL EXCEPTION.

UH... GH...
HEY, MITSUNE,
CAN YOU PICK YOUR WORDS A BIT MORE CAREFULLY NOJA?
ARA THAT WAS RUDE OF ME.
IT REALLY IS UNFORTUNATE WHAT HAPPENED WITH KOWARE,
BUT IF YOU KEEP ACTING LIKE THIS, YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE NAOHITO DEPRESSED AS WELL NOJA.
I'M SURE HE'S WORRIED OVER WHETHER STOPPING YOU WAS THE RIGHT THING TO DO OR NOT NOJA.
IT DOESN'T NEED TO BE RIGHT NOW, BUT YOU NEED TO FEEL BETTER.
MH~...
OH YEAH!
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GETTING RESEALED MIGHT HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN A GOOD THING?
IT WOULD HAVE BEEN UNBEARABLE IF IT HAD BEEN A PUNISHMENT,
MI-TSU-NE!!
I MEAN,
……!

WITH KOWARE-SAN BEING SEALED,
YOU HAVE NAOHITO ALL TO YOURSELF!
YOU'RE ACTUALLY RELIEVED AREN'T YOU?
...!
MI-TSU-NE!

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C-C-C-CALM DOWN KUZURE!
I'LL SCOLD THAT IDIOT LATER NOJA!
YOU APOLOGIZE TOO MITSUNE NOJA!
KUH...
FRUSTRATING... KUZURE WAS KINDA THINKING THAT TOO...

WHY CAN'T I STOP?
AND,
WHICH ONE IS TRUE?
I'M SAD BUT STILL THINKING SUCH THINGS...
BUT KOWARE NOT BEING HERE MAKES ME SAD.
HAVING THOUGHTS CROSS YOUR MIND THAT DON'T FIT LIKE THAT,
ARE SURPRISINGLY NORMAL.
...THAT'S WHY YOU'RE SO TROUBLED, AND THAT IS SAD,
I DON'T GET ANY OF IT NOW...
THINKING OF SO MANY THINGS AND GOING ROUND AND ROUND,
IF YOU'RE SAD THEN JUST CRY YOUR EYES OUT AND YOU'LL FEEL BETTER?
THIS KIND OF HESITATING DOESN'T SUIT YOU?

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...YEAH.
Thank you.
Here's a towel.
...FEELING BETTER?

HUH?
I WASN'T BEING COMPLETELY SARCASTIC EARLIER WHEN I SAID, "GETTING SEALED MIGHT HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN A GOOD THING".
BY THE WAY,
...!
AS LONG AS SHE'S RESEALED THEN THERE'S A CHANCE OF IT COMING UNDONE AGAIN,
YOU!
MOST LIKELY BE...
SO THEN, THE KEY TO THAT WOULD...
WHAT DO YOU THINK COULD HAPPEN?
IF WE CAN CONTINUE TO SHOW THAT COEXISTANCE IS POSSIBLE WITH WHAT WAS ONCE A DISASTER...
I SAID THAT YOU ARE A SPECIAL CASE,
AH... UM... WHAT I MEAN IS...
...?

AH! I GET IT!
THEN KOWARE COULD GET UNSEALED AND THEN EVERYONE'S HAPPY!
IF YOU UP THE IMAGE OF THE FORMER DISASTERS,
STILL, AT LEAST THERE'S HOPE NOJA.
I'M JUST TALKING HYPOTHET-ICALLY THOUGH.
SUPER EASY THEN!
KUZURE'S SO WELL BEHAVED AND PWETTY!
WHAT? IT'S THAT SIMPLE?
おっはー
WELL WHAT-EVER.
THIS ROLE SUITS ME.
BUT YOU'RE ALWAYS TAKING ON THE BEING HATED ROLE.
...IT WORKED OUT IN THE END,
YEAH,
IF I DIDN'T SHE'D HAVE KEPT MOPING.
BUT... MITSUNE,
DID YOU GET KUZURE ANGRY ON PURPOSE?
YOU'VE GOT SOME REAL GUTS.
Plus I got to see some nice faces!

I'M HOME...
Try a tasty snack!
Just give it time...
I did my best at my age...
Asking those guys was useless.
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I still haven't figured out what to do.
…ん?
あはーん
Welcome home, Dar-ling! ♪
WOULD YOU LIKE DINNER? OR A BATH?
OR MAYBE?

WEL-COME HOME!
MI-MITSUNE! OTSUNE!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?
UFUFU! NICE REACTION!
NAO-HITO!
HEY!
KUZU-RE'S PER-FECT!
YOU'RE... ALRIGHT?
COME EAT!
MORE IMPOR-TANTLY, KUZURE MADE DINNER TODAY!
WE DID MOST OF IT THOUGH.

SO I'LL GET REALLY GOOD AT CURRY AND SURPRISE HER!
THERE'S STILL A CHANCE SHE COULD COME BACK!
KOWARE GOT SEALED AGAIN, BUT,
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CUR-RY...
YUP!
SHE TOOK WHAT WE MADE AND MADE SOME ADDITIONS NOJA.
ANYWAY, YOUR CURRY WAS SPECIALLY MADE BY KUZURE-SAN!
...I SEE!
THAT'S RIGHT! YOU BETTER BE GRATEFUL FOR THAT! ♪
DID YOU TWO GIVE HER SOME ADVICE?
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…
WELL? I ADDED A SECRET INGREDIENT MITSUNE TOLD ME ABOUT!
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...TASTE IT.
OKAY?
パクッ
I-IT'S...
IT'S TRUE THAT ADDING CHOCOLATE IS A GOOD IDEA, BUT,
ONLY IN SMALL AMOUNTS.
Put in as much as you like!
MI...
MI-TSU-NE!
BUT PUTTING THE ANPAN IN WAS KUZURE-SAN?
AN-PAN!?